UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001 03 MDL 1570 (GBD)(SN)

ECF Case

This document relates to:

Ashton, et al. v. al Qaeda Islamic Army, et al., 02-cv-6977 (GBD)(SN) Ashton, et al. v. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, 17-cv-02003 (GBD)(SN) Schneider, et al. v. al Qaeda Islamic, 02-cv-7209 (GBD)(SN)

DECLARATION OF JOHN F. SCHUTTY, ESQ. IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL

John F. Schutty, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, declares under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America, that the following is true and correct:

- 1. I am an attorney admitted to practice before this Court. I submit this Declaration in support of a consent application (Local Civil Rule 1.4) to substitute my law firm, the Law Office of John F. Schutty, P.C., in the place and stead of the law office of Jonathan Reiter Law Firm, PLLC, on behalf of Plaintiff, Nancy Dimino, Individually as Spouse and as Personal Representative of the Estate of Stephen Dimino, Deceased, and the adult child of Decedent Stephen Dimino, Plaintiff Sabrina Dimino. I am personally familiar and attest to the truth of the facts that follow below.
- 2. This MDL litigation is ongoing, and it is being handled by a Plaintiffs' Steering Committee, so there will be no prejudice to the Plaintiffs, or the Defendants, by the requested substitution of the Plaintiff's original counsel.
- 3. The attached "Consent" shows that these Plaintiffs, their outgoing attorney (Jonathan C. Reiter), and their incoming attorney (John F. Schutty), consent to the substitution.

4. Similar "Consents" have previously been filed for Plaintiffs Irene Dickey, Dara Seaman, Allison Wallice, Joanne Kelly, Susan Sliwak, Jacqueline Eaton-Garland, Lisa O'Brien, Eileen Lynch, Kristen Breitweiser and Patricia Ryan; those "Consents" also were signed by those Plaintiffs and certain other attorneys, and those substitutions by consent were previously "soordered" by this Court. *See*, *e.g.*, MDL ECF#3841.

5. In light of Plaintiffs' wishes, and their attorneys' consent, I respectfully request that this substitution be completed without delay, by the court "so-ordering" the attached "Consent."

Dated: New York, New York February 23, 2024

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

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